completion of 12 and 24 years of regular service, respectively, as recommended by the 5th Central Pay Commission, while the same is denied to Pharmacists of Allopathic system; if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether any proposal is under consideration to finalise the ACP of CGHS Pharmacists; and

(c) if so, by when; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) In the cadre of the Ayurvedic, Homoeopathic and Unani Pharmacists in CGHS. Assured Career Progression has been granted in these cadres as they fulfilled all the criteria prescribed under the scheme.

1st and 2nd Assured Career Progression has not been granted to allopathic Pharmacists working under CGHS as certain clarification is awaited from the Department of Personnel & Training.

(b) and (c) Information has been furnished *vide* reply to (a) above.

Allegation against former Superintendent of Safdarjung Hospital

†3487. PROF. RAM DEO BHANDARY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the allegations levelled against the former Superintendent of Safdarjung Hospital, Dr. Salhan, by its employees and other persons/institutions;

(b) whether these allegations have been investigated into by Government;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what action is being taken by Government to remove Dr. Salhan from the post of Superintendent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) No such information is available.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.